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Businessman enters pleas and repays State \$181,715 in tax obligations

A Utah businessman has paid \$181,715 to the State of Utah and agreed to pay an additional \$123,255 over the next three years in past state income and sales tax obligations.

Craig A. Rosenvall, age 54, Draper, entered guilty pleas, to be held in abeyance, for a third degree felony and a class A misdemeanor. The charges were failure to make, render, sign or verify a tax return, and attempted unlawful dealing of property by a fiduciary.

The pleas were entered Tuesday in 3rd District Court, Judge William Barrett presiding.

The plea bargain also stipulated that Mr. Rosenvall be placed on probation for three years and perform 200 hours of community service.

Rosenvall was the one-time owner of businesses Armadillo Brothers and Master Repair. He admitted to collecting sales taxes but then failing to remit them from April 2004 to April 2005. The State additionally alleged that he failed to open separate business accounts for these taxes as required by law.

Utah State Tax Commission Criminal Investigative Unit investigated the case that was prosecuted by the Attorney General's office.

State officials said that Mr. Rosenvall demonstrated cooperation during the investigation and prosecution of this case. That cooperation resulted in the plea agreement which calls for the dismissal of the charges if Rosenvall fully complies with all conditions agreed upon.

"It's critical that individuals and businesses pay their fair share of state income taxes and collected sales taxes," said Tax Commission spokesman Charlie Roberts "These taxes directly support education and other basic public services throughout the state."